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Sir:

The following Preliminary Amendments and Remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE:

Please replace the Abstract of the Disclosure with the rewritten Abstract of the Disclosure located below or on a separate sheet attached hereto:

A system whereby a substance which is orally taken and to be delivered into the lower digestive tract is selectively delivered into the lower digestive tract. More particularly, a system which makes it possible to surely and quickly deliver the aimed substance to the lower digestive tract without being affected by

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